Chapter 69:
ARLONG PARK

SKREE

OUR HEROES LEAVE BARATIE IN THEIR WAKE WITH SANJI, THE PRECIOUS SEA COOK...

...WHO HAS JOINED LUFFY'S CREW. THE WEATHER IS FAIR.

SKREE

WAAAAH!

CHEER UP.

HOW LONG ARE YOU GONNA KEEP BLUBBERING ?

CAN YOU EVEN SEE TO STEER THIS TUB?

SUCH A BEAUTIFUL LEAB-TAKING, BRUBBER COOK!!

SPLASH!!

BUD ID WAS ALL SO BOOVING!!!

LOOK, EVEN IF YOU GET NAMI BACK, THERE'RE STILL ONLY FIVE OF US!

YOU REALLY PLAN TO TAKE ON THE GRAND LINE WITH SUCH A SMALL CREW?

AHHH, I CAN'T WAIT TO GET NAMI BACK AND HEAD FOR THE GRAND LINE!!

AFTER ALL, IT'S PARADISE.

I'LL GATHER MORE CREWMEN WHEN WE GET TO THE GRAND LINE!

THE SEA DOESN'T GIVE MANY SECOND CHANCES!

PARADISE? IT'S THE PIRATE'S GRAVE-YARD!

HE SAID FOR SOME PEOPLE THE GRAND LINE IS "PARADISE."

HEE HEE HEE!!

THAT'S NOT WHAT CHEF ZEFF TOLD ME.

DOM!!

YOU'RE TAKING THIS TOO LIGHTLY, BROTHERS !!!

WELL, IF NAMI WAS WITH ME I WOULDN'T CARE IF THERE WERE ONLY TWO OF US...

THE CRAP-GEEZER SAID *THAT*?

NYUK

EVEN BROTHER ZOLO WOULD BE INTIMIDATED IF HE KNEW THE TRUTH!!!

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THE GRAND LINE IS LIKE!!!

SWAK!!

YOU MARK MY WORDS!!

SISTER NAMI IS ON A COLLISION COURSE WITH ONE SCARY GUY!!

YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE SAILING INTO!!

GACK

WAIT !!!

YAY!!

TIME TO EAT.

TUMP!!

ONE OF THOSE POWERS IS...

THERE'S A REASON THE GRAND LINE IS CALLED THE PIRATE'S GRAVEYARD!

IT'S 'CAUSE OF THE THREE GREAT POWERS THAT RULE THOSE WATERS.

THE WHO?

OOOO

THE SEVEN WARLORDS OF THE SEA...

?

WHY WOULD THE GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZE PIRATES?

WHAT?

THE SEVEN GOVERNMENT-RECOGNIZED PIRATE LEADERS.

OTHER PIRATES CALL THEM "GOVERNMENT DOGS."

BUT THEY'RE TOUGH!!!

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THE SEVEN WARLORDS OF THE SEA INHABIT WILD REGIONS, AND UNLICENSED PIRATES ARE EASY TARGETS FOR THEIR MARAUDING.

THE GOVERNMENT ALLOWS THE SEVEN WARLORDS TO RAID THE SEAS IN RETURN FOR A CUT OF THEIR HAUL.

HE'S ONE OF THE SEVEN!!

REMEMBER ***HAWK-EYE MIHAWK*** WHO DEFEATED BROTHER ZOLO?!!

THE PROBLEM IS ONE OF THE SEVEN.

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THE SEVEN WARLORDS MUST BE IMPRES-SIVE!!

WOW!! THERE ARE SIX MORE LIKE HIM?!!

KLAP!

KLAP KLAP!!

I'VE HEARD THERE ARE BEAUTIFUL MERMAIDS THERE.

FISH-MAN, HUH? FISH-MAN ISLAND IN THE GRAND LINE IS FAMOUS, ISN'T IT?

FISH-MAN PIRATES! NEVER MET 'EM!

HMM

JIMBEI, THE LEADER OF THE FISH-MAN PIRATES!!

...A HOLY TERROR INTO THE EAST BLUE.

IN EXCHANGE FOR BECOMING ONE OF THE SEVEN WARLORDS, JIMBEI RELEASED...

READ THIS WAY

FINE. WE'LL SKIP THE HISTORY LESSON.

CAN'T YOU TWO STAY SERIOUS FOR A MINUTE ?!!

WHAT AN UGLY FISH!

LIKE THIS?

HA HA HA HA HA

ARLONG'S A FISH-MAN. HE USED TO BE JIMBEI'S EQUAL.

RIGHT NOW, WE'RE HEADED FOR *ARLONG PARK* !!!

HE MAKES DON KRIEG LOOK LIKE A PUSSYCAT !!!

THIS IS HIS TERRITORY !!!

JOHNNY AND I GOT A HUNCH.

SHE COULD'VE GONE SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THAT DIRECTION.

BUT YOU TURNED BACK HALFWAY, RIGHT?

HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT'S WHERE NAMI WENT?

KRUSH!!!

WANTED POSTERS... PIRATES AND BOUN-TIES...

WHAT'S THIS, JOHNNY ?

GIVEN HER COURSE, AND RECALLING A CERTAIN INCIDENT...

THOSE ARE ALL BIG-BOUNTY PIRATES...

NO REASON.

WHAT?

...BUT YOU'D BETTER GIVE THAT ONE A WIDE BERTH.

WHY DO YOU KEEP STARING AT THAT BOUNTY LIST?

READ THIS WAY

AND RIGHT AFTER WE MENTIONED THAT ARLONG'S CREW HAD BEEN PLUNDERING A LOT LATELY...

WANTED

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IT WAS ARLONG'S POSTER SISTER NAMI WAS EYE-BALLING!

THAT'S JUST A STANDING VERSION OF YOUR LAST FISH.

HOW 'BOUT THIS ONE?!

IT WAS NO COINCIDENCE, I SAY.

THERE'S SOME CONNECTION THERE.

...SISTER NAMI TOOK THE TREASURE AND LEFT US.

I'LL MURDER YA!!

HUH?

NA MI

MAYBE SHE'S REALLY A MERMAID! SHE'S PRETTY ENOUGH!

BLUSH

BUT WHAT BUSINESS COULD NAMI HAVE WITH THAT FISH-MAN?

YEAH. DON'T WORRY, YOSAKU.

WELL, WE'LL FIND OUT WHEN WE GET THERE.

NO, YOU DON'T GOT IT!! HIS STRENGTH IS UNIMAGINABLE!!

SURE, THERE'S SOME MEAN FISH-MAN, RIGHT? GOT IT.

HAVEN'T YOU HEARD A WORD I'VE SAID?!

WHAT A WASTE OF BREATH !!

STIR-FRIED BEAN SPROUTS FOR ME !!!

MEAT!! ON A BONE !!!

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE?

OKAY, LET'S EAT.

GOT IT!! LEAVE IT TO ME!!

SKREE!!

I'D RATHER BE COOKING FOR NAMI THAN FOR YOU SWABS.

IT SURE IS NICE TO HAVE A COOK.

OH! OH! BEAN SPROUTS! A BIG HELP-ING!

WOOOOOOOOO

NORTH-WESTERN SECTOR OF THE EAST BLUE

FWAP...

FWAP...!!

FWUMP..

..!!

TAKE IT.

HERE YOU GO, THIS MONTH'S CUT.

MARINE

MANY THANKS...

HYIK HYIK HYIK...YOU CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND HOW THE WORLD WORKS...

CAPTAIN NEZUMI OF NAVY BASE 16

MONEY MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND!!!

DOAM!!

HAR HAR HAR!! DON'T BE SO FORMAL!!

HAR HAR

HAR HAR HAR HAR HAR!!

"SAW-TOOTH" ARLONG
CAPTAIN OF ARLONG'S PIRATES

IT'S THE ONLY THING A MAN CAN REALLY BELIEVE IN!!!

MONEY IS GOOD !!

HAR HAR HAR!

YOU KNOW, I DON'T MUCH LIKE HUMAN MALES, BUT YOU'RE NOT BAD! YOU AND I SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE!

TO BE SURE.

DRINK WITH ME!! LET'S LIVE A LITTLE!!

ANYBODY SQUEALS ON YOU, I'LL GUT 'EM!

ALWAYS IN SUCH A HURRY!

IT LOOKS BAD FOR A PATROL SHIP TO ANCHOR HERE OVER-NIGHT.

KLAK...

MARINE

WELL, THAT CONCLUDES OUR BUSINESS. I MUST BE GOING...

SPLO OSH!!

AYE-AYE!!

TOW 'IM TO HIS SHIP!!

HEY! THE CAPTAIN'S LEAVING!!!

NO...I REALLY MUST EXCUSE MYSELF.

YOU GOT AN INTERESTING FACE, ***MOUSE***-UMI. YOUR NAME SURE FITS YOU.

YES, OF COURSE. THANK YOU.

GET IN THE OCTOPUS POT!! I'LL TAKE YOU!!

IT REALLY TICKLES ME!!! HA HA HA HA!

skrtch skrtch

HATCHAN (HACHI) ARLONG'S FIRST MATE

BUT THEY HAVE THEIR VIRTUES.

THOSE FISH-MEN ARE A CREEPY LOT!!!

SPLAP SPLAP SPLAP SPLAP SPLAP SPLAP

SORRY, CAPTAIN!! THAT ONE'S GOT A BIG MOUTH!!

OH, YEAH!! SORRY!! ANYHOW, GET IN!!

HOLD YOUR TONGUE, HACHI!! CAPTAIN ***NEZUMI*** IS A VALUED CUSTOMER.

NO HARM DONE, HYIK HYIK HYIK!!

I'M GONNA GET ARLONG!!

HE MURDERED MY FATHER !!!

OUTTA MY WAY, YOU!!

ARLONG PARK EAST GATE

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I MEAN IT!!!

MOVE, OR I'LL GET YOU, TOO!!!

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HYAAM

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NOW GO HOME.

...A SNOT-NOSED KID!!!

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SWAK! WHAK!!

AGH!

WHAK!!

UNGH !!

ARLONG DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO BOTHER WITH...

WAAH... !!!

FWUMP!!

YOU WITCH !!

SPEND IT WISELY-- BUY A TICKET HOME.

FMP

WUMP!

HERE'S SOME MONEY.

AH!! YOU'RE BACK! LONG TRIP?!

KLAK

HOW WAS YOUR HARVEST?!

HMPH... WHO'D DARE TO ATTACK ME?!

THE MANSION'S UNGUARDED, AS USUAL.

BUT I FEEL A STRANGE EMPTINESS IN MY HEART.

EXCELLENT!

DOM!!

YOU THINK SO?

BETRAYAL IS YOUR SPECIALTY!!

HAR HAR HAR HAR HAR!!

BEEN READING POETRY?

TUUUUUUNA TONIGHT!!!

COMRADES!! ONE OF OUR OWN HAS RETURNED!! PREPARE A FEAST!!!

SPLASH!!

FWAP

OFFICER NAMI ARLONG'S PIRATE CREW

FWAP!

Wooo oooo

ARLONG PARK

ARLONG PARK

NO!!!

NAMI'S IN *THERE* ?!

SHAKE SHAKE

SHAKE SHAKE

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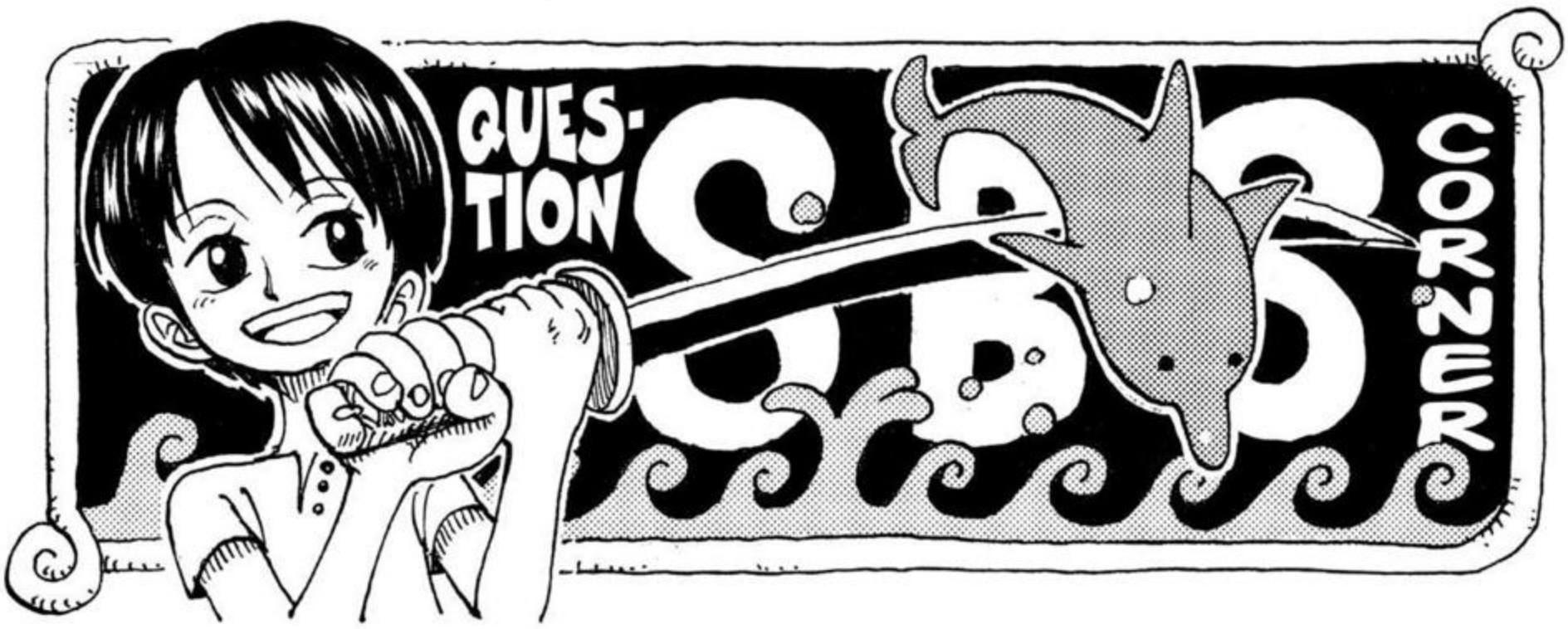
TH-THAT'S THE PLACE !!



Q: To become a **girl** who is as cool and strong as Zolo, what should I do?

A: Hmm...a girl? Let's see... First of all, do squats!! And eat sardines to strengthen your mental powers!!

Q: Oda Sensei, hello, or rather, *ni hao*!! I used my whole brain to compose Luffy's song. Please read it, dance, and cry!

First verse:
Gum x3 Gum Ya-a-ay
Am I a Gum-Gum Person, or a Rubber Man?
Gum x3 Gum Yahoo
Lalalalaa Lalaa Lalalalaa Oooh

Second verse:
Gum x3 Gum Stretch
I'm the King of the Pirates, I'm amazing!!
(Gum x3 Gum) x2 Amooon

What do you think? Do I win? Shall I go? Well, here I go!!

A: Yay!! Yes, go!! Go far!!

Q: Is Luffy natural or synthetic rubber? This is an inquiry from the Meteorological Agency (with cooperation from the Ministry of Education.)

A: Natural ~~dumb~~ rubber.

Q: When my friends and I talk about ONE PIECE, I like Shanks, Friend S. likes Zolo, and Friend M. likes Luffy, but R. likes Buggy and Django.

A: One would have to be seriously ill to like those two. Please tell him to rest quietly at home, and drink plenty of liquids. And tell him that if he perseveres, good things will come to him...